









## THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

The following telegrams are from Australian papers received by the N.Y.K. steamer *Yamato* on 26th March.

**THE SITUATION IN THE FAR EAST.**  
London, 26th March.  
In the House of Commons last night Mr. G. N. Curzon, Parliamentary Secretary for Foreign Affairs, stated that negotiations were proceeding with Russia and Germany with regard to the occupation of places on the coast of China.

Russia was negotiating with China for the establishment of a consular district at Peking, which would include the entrance to Pusan, and where the Japanese possess a similar right. The late war between China and Japan distributed the balance of power in the Far East. Germany and Russia then established a Han on the gratitude of China. China had initiated the loan proposal, but the generous terms of the British offer did not prevent the acquisition of the loan. The British offer was made on the condition that the Chinese Government withdrew from the negotiations. Britain had, however, obtained concessions without running the risk of the loan. The Government intended to maintain those relations and to uphold freedom of commerce.

London, 26th March.  
In the House of Commons to-day Mr. G. N. Curzon, Parliamentary Secretary for Foreign Affairs, stated that Germany had requested her consular district at Peking should be a free port, and had added that it was not desired to disturb the integrity of China, nor to conflict with the interests of other nations. He promised that the British Government would be an open port like the treaty ports, and the tariff established.

London, 26th March.  
Roulet's correspondent at Peking reports that the Germans are securing Government contracts in China, and are pushing trade.

He further states that owing to the loss through freight rates between America and China, American firms are successfully competing with the British. Russian influence, it is added, overshadows British interests in Northern China.

Speaking at Bradford to-day, the Earl of Salisbury, Under-Secretary for the Colonies, said that the country was unanimously of opinion that war with Germany was a serious step to be taken, but it was absolutely determined that British rights in China should not be sacrificed, and that they should be maintained unimpaired.

London, 26th March.  
Correspondence strongly disapproves of the concession to Russia of Peking Island, at the entrance to Peking, for the purpose of the loan. The *Times* states that the foreign ambassadors recommend that the island should be made a foreign settlement.

London, 26th March.  
The *Times* states that the Chinese loan of £10,000,000 recently arranged for the payment of the war indemnity to Japan will be made a first charge upon the revenue. The New Loan administration is likely to result in an increase in the revenue. The Chinese realize that they have lost 1,000,000,000 taels through Russian intervention.

**THE LATE CARLTON NEWY.**  
London, 26th March.

The Pope proposes to bestow the title Cardinal Newman.

**MR. COEL RHODES.**  
London, 26th February.  
The President of the Orange Free State, Mr. M. J. Steyn, has made a violent attack upon Mr. Cecil Rhodes. He said that Mr. Rhodes was a great Imperialist, who was working for the purpose of converting the whole of South Africa into a British colony, and was working for the sake of acquiring riches.

**A WARNING TO FRANCE.**  
London, 26th March.  
It is announced that when directing Major J. L. Macdonald, the leader of the British expedition in Uganda, to cultivate friendly relations with the tribes in the East African, North East Africa, and Uganda provinces, the British Government has issued a warning to France with regard to the Nile.

**POLITICAL AGITATION IN AUSTRIA.**  
London, 26th March.  
The political agitation in Austria is increasing. Thousands of peasants are joining the agrarian and socialist movement in the Alpine districts.

**ASSAULT ON A BRITISH VICE-CONSUL.**  
London, 26th March.  
The British Vice-Consul at Sebastopol has been severely beaten and robbed while walking in the suburbs of the city.

**COUNT MOURVILL.**  
London, 26th March.  
Count Mourvill, the Russian Minister for Foreign Affairs, has recovered from his attack of emphysema.

**THE DISTRESS IN ITALY.**  
London, 26th March.  
King Humbert has assigned 150,000 francs for the relief of the distressed districts of the Kingdom of Lombardy, which have been visited by 100,000 francs for the same object.

**THE MARLBOROUGH CRICKET CLUB.**  
London, 26th March.  
Mr. F. E. Levey (Cambridge University) has been elected secretary of the Marlborough Cricket Club, in succession to Mr. Henry Perkins.

Mr. Perkins has retired on a pension of £400 a year.

**ACCIDENT IN THE HUNTING FIELD.**  
London, 26th March.  
When hunting at Heythrop, Chipping Norton, Oxfordshire, the country residence of the Hon. Mrs. Albert Brassey, who were riding by the side of the road, were killed by the Hon. Mrs. Brassey, nephew of Lord Brassey, fell and rolled on to her, breaking one of her legs.

**THE SUDAN.**  
London, 26th March.  
Maxwell Bay (Lieutenant-Colonel John G. Maxwell, D.S.O.) has been appointed to the command of the Sudanese brigade in Egypt.

**THE "MAINE" DISASTER.**  
London, 26th March.  
Reports from Washington announce that Mr. John D. Long, the American Secretary of State for the Navy, regards the question as to the participation of Spanish officials in the destruction of the *Maine* as having been completely eliminated from consideration.

**INTERVENTION IN THE TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE TO AUSTRALIA.**  
London, 26th March.  
Replying in the House of Commons last night to questions regarding the recent delays in the transmission of cables between England and Australia, Mr. B. W. Hanbury, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, pointed out that the intervention had occurred on the Australian land line, but the cable companies had just made an important proposal which would obviate the existing cause of breakdown, by extending the proposed cable from Albany to Adelaide.

Mr. Hanbury's statement satisfied his questioners, as indicating the desire of the cable companies to meet public requirements.

**THE FRENCH CLAIMS IN WEST AFRICA.**  
London, 26th March.  
The Paris *Temps* claims on behalf of France the effective possession of the greater portion of the territory of the Niger, the meridian of Say, and the ninth degree of latitude.

**RELIEF FROM AMERICA FOR THE DISTRESS IN OUBA.**  
London, 26th March.  
The United States Government is sending two warships to Cuba with 50 tons of provisions for the relief of the distress among the population.

**OBJECTIONS TO THE CABLE SERVICE FOR THE CABLE SERVICE.**  
London, 26th March.  
A bill has been read the second time in the House of Commons giving power to parliament to object to the cable service from Albany to Adelaide.

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**MARK TWAIN'S DEATH.**  
London, 26th March.  
Mark Twain, although legally not dead, has been declared to be in connection with the firm of Messrs. Webster and Co. of New York.

**BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS OF THE POPE.**  
London, 26th March.  
The eighty-eighth birthday of the Pope was celebrated in Rome yesterday by enthusiastic demonstrations.

## ANOTHER SECTOR BY THE EMPRESS WILLIAM.

In addressing a gathering of naval officers yesterday, the Emperor William said that wherever Germany fixed her talons that country would remain German.

**REVENUE OF THE UNITED KINGDOM.**  
London, 26th March.  
The estimates of the revenue departments of the Government show an increase of £710,479 in the revenue receipts for February as compared with those for the corresponding month of last year.

## SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Columbus*, from Kobe 19th March, had very tempestuous weather across Pacific. Latterly fine.

The British steamer *Cerberus*, from Bangkok 19th March, had strong N.E. wind and heavy seas throughout the voyage.

The British steamer *Edgmont*, from Tientsin 21st March, had light winds and fine weather. Two warships bound north, off Doct Island, on 25th March, at 7.10 p.m.

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## INTIMATIONS.

## HONGKONG CLUB.

## NOTICE.

**AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING** of the Members of the Club will be held in the Club House on WEDNESDAY, the 30th March, 1893, at 6 p.m., for the purpose set forth in the notice posted in the Hall of the Club.

By Order,  
G. H. GRACE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 21st March, 1893.

## THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby informed that at the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held in London recently a final dividend of 3 per cent. was declared on the Company's Profits for the six months ending 31st December, 1892, making 6 per cent. in all. A dividend of 6 per cent. for the same year was also declared on the Company's Profits for the six months ending 31st December, 1892, making 12 per cent. in all.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be ready on the 1st proximo.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 28th to the 31st instant, inclusive.

ROLLDAY, WISE & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1893.

**THE CHINESE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION).**

NOTICE is hereby given that a SECOND and FINAL RETURN of CAPITAL amounting to \$275 per Share has been declared in favour of the Shareholders.

Shareholders who have not yet received their share of the Capital amounting to \$275 per Share, are requested to send in their share certificates to the Liquidator, Mr. J. G. MANNING, at the office of the Liquidator, 10, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on or before the 31st March, 1893.

Shareholders who have not yet received their share of the Capital amounting to \$275 per Share, are requested to send in their share certificates to the Liquidator, Mr. J. G. MANNING, at the office of the Liquidator, 10, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on or before the 31st March, 1893.

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## BANKS.

## THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA LIMITED.

## NOTICE.

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £1,000,000.  
PAID UP CAPITAL £243,374.

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:  
CHOW KUN SHAN, Esq.,  
J. T. LAURENCE, Esq.,  
Kwan Ho, Esq.,  
G. W. F. PLATEAU, Esq.

Interest for 12 Months—Fixed—5%.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1892.

**THE MERCHANT BANK OF INDIA LIMITED.**

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL £1,000,000.  
PAID UP CAPITAL £1,125,000.  
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## INSURANCES.

## AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AACHEN.

## NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTHER, BROCKMANN & CO.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 21st April, 1893.



